

City of Shannon Hills, Arkansas
Regular City Council Meeting
Nov 11, 2003

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Present were Mayor Davis, Recorder-Treasurer Curt Wilson, City Attorney Brent Houston and Aldermen Gina Daniel, Mike Kemp, Glenn Dinsmore, Linda Linkous and Diane Everett. Alderman Rick Tribble was absent.

The Mayor led the pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes of Oct 14, 2003 regular meeting were approved as presented. Motion to approve was made by Alderman Kemp, Second by Alderman Daniel. Approval was by voice vote with no opposition.

Financial Report: Recorder-Treasurer Wilson handed out copies of the financial report for Sept 2003. The following was presented verbally:

General Fund balance:	\$50,322.54
Street Dept balance:	\$102,306.86
LOPFI Fund:	\$37,537.28
Weather Radio fund collections....	\$2,078.35
Sign Fund collections ...	\$ 505.00
Emergency Signal Light Fund ..	\$ 253.00

There followed a brief dialog between Alderman Linkous and Recorder-Treasurer Wilson regarding timeliness in the delivery of the reports. She wants reports delivered far enough in advance of the meeting to have time to review them before the meeting convenes.

Dept Head reports:

Fire Dept. (Mel Aldridge) reported Three (3) Fire and Nine (9) calls. Total calls responded to thus far in 2003 is 159

Chief Aldridge also talked about the two trucks that have been added top the Fire Dept fleet. They were acquired via bids from Arch Street Vol Fire Dept for just over \$13,000. several additional events and issues were mentioned. For details refer to written Fire Department report submitted as part of this presentation and attached to files with these minutes.

Chief Aldridge requested permission to sell Engine #1 which is old and has not been in working order for some time.

A motion was made by Alderman Kemp to add two items to the agenda. Motion received a second from Alderman Daniel and was approved by voice vote with no opposition. The two items added were the authorization for the Fire Dept to sell Engine #1 and for the Street Dept to sell the old John Deere Tractor and attachments.

A motion was made by Alderman Kemp with Second by Alderman Dinsmore to authorize the sale of Fire Engine # 1 with proceeds staying with the Fire Department. Motion was approved by voice vote with no opposition

A motion was made by Alderman Kemp with second by Alderman Dinsmore to authorize the sale of the old John Deere Tractor owned by the Street Dept. Sale price was set at \$2,500.00 with proceeds to stay with the Street Dept. Motion was approved by voice vote with no opposition.

Public Works (Water & Sewer and Street Depts.): (Ricky Trotter)

Mr. Trotter submitted a written report and supplemented it with a verbal summary.

He reported that 88 meter boxes had been cleaned out and 3 meters were replaced.

One sewer main blockage was reported and resolved this month.

A number of other projects were handled this month. See written report for more detailed information.

Police Department: No one was present from the police department to offer a report.

Court Clerk:

A written report was submitted. The Mayor noted that because there were two Court dates in October the numbers may look a bit inflated but that no court would be held in Nov. Refer to the written report for details.

Recess was called at 7:18pm for a look at the two firetrucks acquired thru bid from Arch Street Vol. Fire Dept.

Meeting Reconvened at 7:30pm

Tim Lemons, of Lemons Engineering, presented the third in a series of presentations addressing the ongoing sewer treatment plant project and annexation. Following a brief review Mr. Lemons introduced Mr. Bob Wright of Crews and Associates. Mr. Wright went over the financial aspects of the project and explained the Bond Process to the Council and others in attendance. Refer to Presentation documents for details.

Discussion centered on Cost and how to finance the project; The additional revenues and growth that the projects would provide and the order of events that should be followed in order to implement the project.

Item 1.

A motion was made by Alderman Kemp to add to the agenda the introduction of an Ordinance that would make posting copies of a new ordinance in five (5) public places in the city a viable and legal means of informing the public. Thereby eliminating the need to publish same in a local newspaper and substantial cost. The motion received a second from Alderman Everett. Motion was approved by voice vote with no opposition.

The Ordinance was read, in its entirety, by the City Attorney. Following some discussion there was a motion by Alderman Daniel and a second by Alderman Kemp to adopt the ordinance, as read. The motion was approved by roll call vote. All five Aldermen in attendance voted in favor of the motion. Alderman Tribble was absent.

Alderman Kemp made a motion to suspend the rules and place the Ordinance for second reading and vote. Second was offered by Alderman Daniel. Motion was approved by voice vote with no opposition.

Ordinance was read by City Attorney Brent Houston.

Motion by Alderman Kemp with second by Alderman Everett to Approve the Ordinance as read. Voice vote approved the ordinance with no opposition.

Alderman Kemp made a motion to suspend the rules and place the Ordinance for third reading and vote. Second was offered by Alderman Everett. Motion was approved by voice vote with no opposition.

Ordinance was read by City Attorney Brent Houston.

Motion by Alderman Kemp with second by Alderman Everett to Approve the Ordinance as read. Voice vote approved the ordinance with no opposition.

Item 2.

Motion by Alderman Kemp to approve payment of bill for “spookfest” flyers, in the amount of \$79.75. Second provided by Alderman Daniel. In a roll call vote, the motion passed with no opposition. Alderman Tribble was absent.

Item 3.

Motion by Alderman Kemp to authorize expenditure of up to \$250.00 to secure title on city park land. Second by Alderman Dinsmore. Motion passed with voice vote. There was no opposition.

Item 4.

Motion by Alderman Kemp to authorize ordering an appraisal of 54 acres for possible purchase. Second by Alderman Everett. Following a brief discussion the motion was passed via voice vote with no opposition.

Item 5.

Motion by Alderman Dinsmore to authorize expenditure of \$300.00 to accomplish preliminary soil sample on 54 acres referenced in previous Item. Second from Alderman Everett. After some discussion the motion was approved by voice vote. There was no opposition.

Item 6.

Motion from Alderman Daniel, Second from Alderman Dinsmore that the city join “Arkansas One Call” at a cost of \$11.50 per month. Motion was approved via voice vote with no opposition.

Item 7.

Motion from Alderman Daniel, Second from Alderman Everett to authorize making an offer of \$18,000.00 to purchase 15 Acres of land on south side of Shannon Hills. The Motion was approved by roll call vote. There were no opposing votes.

Item 8.

The Mayor asked to drop the trip to Nevada from the agenda. Information that had become available after the agenda had been set made this item unnecessary.

Item 9.

The Recorder-Treasurer handed out documents that the Council Members can use to make adjustments to move toward balancing the 2003 budget. The need for better controls with respect to spending was stated by the Treasurer. It was agreed that the budget issue would require a block of time that would require a special meeting rather than trying to address it in this meeting.

Comments:

Mayor made invitation for comments but none were made.

Motion to adjourn was made by Alderman Kemp and a second by Alderman Daniel Motion was approved by voice vote with no opposition.

Meeting adjourned at 8:52PM.

Date: _____

Approved: _____
Larance Davis, Mayor

Attest: _____
Curt Wilson, Recorder-Treasurer